

Proposed Bill No. 343

January Session, 2009

LCO No. 2122

Referred to Committee on Human Services

Introduced by: SEN. HARP, 10th Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE EQUALIZATION OF MEDICAID RATES FOR HOSPITALS LOCATED IN CLOSE GEOGRAPHIC PROXIMITY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That chapter 319v of the general statutes be amended to require the
- 2 Commissioner of Social Services to equalize the rates of payments to
- 3 hospitals, which are providing services to persons aided or cared for
- 4 by the state and which are located less than five miles apart and within
- 5 the same municipality, by increasing the rate of payments to the
- 6 hospital receiving a lower rate to the same rate as the hospital
- 7 receiving a higher rate.

Statement of Purpose:

To equalize Medicaid payment rates for hospitals located within five miles of each other and in the same municipality.